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SAN ANTONIO MAN SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON FOR CHILD PORN OFFENSES

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced that 28-year-old Jaime Carlos Curiel, Jr., was sentenced this morning to 90 months in federal prison for child pornography offenses.

In addition to the prison term, United States District Judge Fred Biery ordered that Curiel be placed on supervised release for 20 years after he completes his prison term.

On June 28, 2007, Curiel pleaded guilty to one count each of receipt of child pornography and possession of child pornography. Federal investigators from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement executed a search warrant at the defendant's residence in September 2006, and seized his home computer and other computer-related media. A subsequent forensic examination revealed that the computer and media contained over 900 images of child pornography.

This case was investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Tom Moore.

This case is being prosecuted as part of the Department of Justice's Project Safe Childhood (PSC) initiative. PSC is a comprehensive initiative aimed at preventing the abuse and exploitation of children through the Internet or other distribution technology. PSC creates, on a national platform, locally designed partnerships of federal, state, and local law enforcement officers in each federal district to investigate and prosecute Internet-based crimes against children. In addition to integration of law enforcement at the district level, PSC also provides for effective participation of PSC partners in coordinated national child pornography initiatives as well as increased federal involvement in basic child pornography and enticement cases.

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